

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – RWS&S – Allegations of irregularities in the Tender Process and execution of O&M of C.P.W.S. Schemes pertains to RWS&S Division, Banswada for the year 2010-11 taken up under 13th Finance Commission Grant - Disciplinary proceedings against Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 177

Dated: 03/03/2016

Read:

G.O.Ms.No.19, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.03.03.2016

ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded in the reference read above, under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, for instituting departmental proceedings against Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II & III).

3. Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, is directed to submit within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of her defence.

4. Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of A. P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against her ex-parte.

6. Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings,

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it will be presumed that Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

S.P. SINGH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. K. Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, Nizamabad and retired as i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, Hyderabad through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.
(in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)
Copy to:
The G.A(V&E) Dept. (w.r.t. Vigilance Report No.59 (185/V&E/E2/2011), dt.06.08.2015.
The PR&RD (RWS.I) Dept.
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//FORWARDED: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No.177, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.03.03.2016)

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SMT. K. ARUNA, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, RWS&S CIRCLE, NIZAMABAD AND RETIRED AS i/c CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, HYDERABAD.

CHARGE:

That Smt K.Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Nizamabad District (now Retired) has entrusted the O&M works of Banswada, Kotagiri and Mandarna CPWS Schemes to the same agency, without operating tender discount for the period 01.04.2010 to 31.10.2010 in violation of para 176(e) of A.P.W. Departmental code, resulting in a total loss of Rs.13,12,779/- to the Government.

BASIS:-

As per the Vigilance Report No.59 (185/V&E/E2/2011) of G.A (V&E) Department, dt.06.08.2015, Smt K.Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Nizamabad has entrusted the O&M works of Banswada, Kotagiri and Madarna CPWS Schemes to the same agency pertaining to the year 2009-10 and to a different agency at estimated rates without operating tender discount for the period 01.04.2010 to 31.10.2010 in violation of para 176(e) of A.P.W. Departmental code, resulting in a total loss of Rs.13,12,779/- to the Government.

Further, Smt K.Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Nizamabad has instructed the Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Banswada to execute the work of maintaining the CPWS Scheme, Bichkunda departmentally for the period 01.04.2010 to 31.10.2010, without obtaining permission from the Government, resulting in a loss of Rs.3,55,030/- to the Government exchequer.

Smt K.Aruna, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Nizamabad has also instructed the Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Banswada to provide estimated rates to supplemental items which are not covered in the original agreement for the O&M of CPWS Schemes for the period from 01.11.2010 to 31.03.2011 in violation of para 176(e) of A.P.W. Departmental code, resulted in excess payments to the contractors to the tune of Rs.7,64,177/-.

From this, it is evident that she has shown gross negligence towards her legitimate duties and thus she violated Rule (3) of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE -II

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No.177 , PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.03.03.2016)

LIST OF THE DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SMT. K. ARUNA, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, RWS&S CIRCLE, NIZAMABAD AND RETIRED AS i/c CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, HYDERABAD.

Vigilance Report No.59 (185/V&E/E2/2011) of G.A (V&E) Department, dt.06.08.2015.

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ANNEXURE – III

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LIST OF THE WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SMT. K. ARUNA, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, RWS&S CIRCLE, NIZAMABAD AND RETIRED AS i/c CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, HYDERABAD.

-Nil-

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